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302. Proposed by PROF. R. D. CARMICHAEL, Anniston, Ala.

Prove that the system of equations

$$xu-5yv=2$$
,  $xv+yu=1$ ,

has no integral solution in x, y, u, v except those for which one of the unknowns is zero.

## GEOMETRY.

335. Proposed by G. B. M. ZERR, A. M., Ph. D., 4243 Girard Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

Determine analytically, the point where three lines in a plane appear of equal length.

## CALCULUS.

260. Proposed by V. M. SPUNAR, East Pittsburg, Pa.

A natural equation of a surface may be defined as an equation in which the differential quotients of the principal radius,  $\rho$ , of curvature to the element of arc in the direction of the principal curvature are shown as a function of  $\rho$ ,  $\frac{d^n \rho}{ds} = F(\rho)$ . Required the natural equation of the whole surface of second power.

261. Proposed by S. A. COREY, Hiteman, Iowa.

Prove that 
$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a+2bx^2+cx^4} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\left[8ac(\sqrt{ac+b})\right]}} - \frac{1}{2a}, \text{ where } ac > b^2.$$

262. Proposed by H. SCHAFFER, Fayetteville, Ark.

Prove that the circle is the only plane curve of constant curvature.

## MECHANICS.

217. Proposed by G. B. M. ZERR, A. M., Ph. D., 4243 Girard Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

Given, the mean distance from earth to sun,  $1.49 \times 10^{15}$  centimeters; radius of the earth,  $6.37 \times 10^8$  centimeters; velocity of the earth in its orbit,  $2.96 \times 10^6$  centimeters per second; velocity of rotation of a point on the equator,  $4.63 \times 10^4$  centimeters per second; mass of the earth,  $6.14 \times 10^{27}$  grams; find (1) the total energy of the earth in ergs; (2) the angular velocity of the earth on its axis; and (3) the angular velocity of the earth around the sun.

218. Proposed by W. J. GREENSTREET. M. A., Editor of The Mathematical Gazette, Stroud, England.

Cut a uniform, circular cylinder by two planes whose line of intersection is without the cylinder. The centroid G of the surface of the portion of the cylinder thus cut off lies in a plane elliptic section, in which plane also lies the line of intersection aforesaid. C is the center of the ellipse, and the pole of the intersection line with reference to this ellipse is X. Show (1) that C, X, and G are collinear, and (2) that XC = 2CG.